PH (JMS) Re PH Arch order 6/28/71, Notes on 7/30/71

These are excellent, helpful notes. Some of them are appropriate to what I yesterday be a study in thow the t ing worked. Your orders are in your hands so far away long before I hear anything. More on CD3146 enclosures below.

CD55:1 Your question, should you get the rest of this CD- indeed yes. There is more I would suggest (and I'd appreciate copies). There are things missing and a few things of importance in this summary. The study if Russian by recordings presumably required either a record player of his own or the use of an official or semi-official (USO) one, of which I've never heard. In either event, it was known he was studying Russian, and the is little likelihood this did not attaract some attention. Note also that like the guy who called me on the Old Joe Dolan show, no political conversation from Oswald. The avoidance of the study of Russian in the investigation is, I think, a clue. This guy does remember the nature of the discharge but not what AT said of LHO's being assigned to special duty in Security awaiting it. Or for "punishment". Why would this guy volunteer "nonviolent"? And then say no more? Of course, questions could have induced it. Did these "written statements" on hunches as to why LHO defected show up in Folsom?Or CNT? I would think that those of whom statements were asked were those who knew him best or someone thought might known him best, thus there should be one from NT, etc. I see you noted this. Why not ask? Under FOI this could include Marines, who'd probably flip! If those statements are missing, if one discounts carelessness, what else is left? That they include something desired to be hidden is the most likely possibility, and I think there is a fair chance of it. Even this one, aside from the "nonentity" bit, which could be the agent's interpretation, is not really consistent with the LHO portrait in the WR and hrgs. There was a time when I had thought I'd collect all statements from former Marines mates, but it got impossible. I still think it would be a good project and I think it would be an interesting part of a study on how the Commission functioned, it obviously being important in theory as in fact, that is, by their concept of fact as disclosed in outline, table contents VDI, etc. This is also a good inquiry to put to that CIIA "computer project". Why not ask Bud? Also, isn't it interesting there is no ref to Calls' function in that specialized outfit? Could he have been on the same job? Even at the same time? That is, shift? These things in a summary are indicative of clear recollection and probably greater knowledge. Did call know "Botello"'s add, orhad Phila by then gotten copies other reports?

CD58:1- I think your note is in error in connecting this with a later incident in Miami or you have in mind a different Miami incident that I do. That one involved a right-winger's show and someone "Oswald" calling in, which turned out not to be the case, and Howard Davis. Others of that crew, possibly including Patrick, one of the more talkative, were undoubtedly also there. I supplied copies of that one or those. Let me here note a few things that might prevent later confusion. Correct name Nebel, moved from WOR to WNBC,where he did two shows, midnight-5 and recorded for earlier in day. Right-winger and on a related subject, made a big thing of "Lincoln Lawrence" and Are We Controlled, which suggets the Russias put a bug (electronic) in LHO's head.

CD171-177 Rather than "routine", as you suggest, I find considerable possibility in this, but, of course, acknowledge it is all conjecture and this could be the kind of wrong stuff people offered, mistaken identity, etc. There are these things of special interest to me. "Rampus" is phon for a real name I picked up from the Castorr's in working out details of the Odio story with them. There was a woman by this name who after the assassination told Trudy C that she had been offered a pile for what she knew, and Trudy took her to the DPD's animated circular file, Lt. Butler, the walking memory hole. Now that bunch did have a series of "discussion groups", on at which there was a strange thing involving a Cuban at the Farmer's Branch of a bank, as I recall. This involved advance prediction assassination, in Dallas. Instead of forgetting this, I suggest instead following all leads, giving me set to keep when you get, and let me look Castorr's up again. Here we have another connection possible between a false LHO and the right in Dallas, or the right Cubans. Think should be followed. Of this I'd like a copy that I can mail to Castorr's sending your further inquiry. Pls include note on it so I will not by then have forgotten purpose when I get.

CD226. Any reading makes clear he probably heard the report from Sweatt and the other possibilities are limited and are not inaccessible to the FBI. If they carried this no further, it was from intent, not difficulty. However, the 19-min business is more important, indicating, among other thing, that the Carolyn Arnold and possibly other and still unknown stories were well known. I will at some point contact Goulden, who a year ago lived in DC and has not been with the paper for some time. I have made efforts in the past when he was at the paper and after he left, but each time he was away. Why do you say that ordinarily the DPD and the sheriff's office would not have known of any effort to recruit LHO? It would not be exceptional if they sought dope of either as part of the effort. Nor were they without collarobation of other kinds, having informants in the same groups, as with the GI Forum. I think an assumption either way hazardous.

CD239 is routine.

CD256:1 is not routine. Ask yourself about "Officers unable to explain how OSWALD had names in his possession." What names? Why not given? The source seems to be the address book. I suggest pursuing further with rest CD.

CD314:1 Brown means nothing to me (Bowen alias or suspected alias?)

CD325: (Interesting no control No. indicated). Some of the questions asked of Garners good and answers not indicated elsewhere (i.e., time spent away from residence, which could be more proper formality of indication of Kelley's proper suspicions). Typically, the FBI too the employment records, not copies, and thus could do with them whatever they wanted while denying access to anyone outside government and those inside if they wanted. P. 3 tardiness in paying rent no characteristic and not indicative of making out okay. P.4. Not being gone for long periods and no report of coming home in wee hours drunk bears on counterfeiting at Habana and indicates, as I've always believed, it was not LHO. Is not the four-five Raack interviews in excess of what the FBI reports show of the pre-ass. investigation? Is not Raack's appearance the day after Oswald moved significant-and otherwise not reported?
P.5 Is not this middle-aged man also new? Could not Marina have identified? Do we know? Seems new to me. (also P. 6)
Banks also never notice LHO loud, drunk, late-coming. Ditto Rogerses.
What everyone seemed to want to avoid, exception for SS, is the immediate presence of Ferrie at this address after he was released and LHO had been killed. Mrs G so testified in N.O. trial.

I have not taken out copy and would appreciate.

CD637:1-2,9-13. Michael Pine, that great ANLUer, wanting to join the JBS? You should get the interview. I'd like it and this page, which indicates the significance attached by the FBI, it being the only interview mentioned in summary. Does this cast Michael in possible other role, which makes security clearance more comprehensible?
Are Gravitises ever mentioned as part of Russian-speaking community? Could routing to Minter relate to Michael's status, whatever it was, or his clearance?

CD205:193-4- I'd like two copies of each page, full size, please. There is more than reference to spectro, some perhaps just sloppy language: "bandages"; "the evidence bullets"; no ref spectro tie and rank, irrational conjecture of cause of nick, i possible from desc. damage to front shirt collar; omission size back shirt hole or refs to removal samples; whether photos made prior to sampling; "X-ray and other examinations of the clothing"? What besides unspecified visual examinations?

CD7:332 Core told me the history of this and I sent you a copy of my long memo. Our friend deB again. He didn't even come for sample until day after Core called, or Sat., as I recall. Why? Natural? Office within walking distance. Suggest that with these 4 nos, of N.O. origin and including pre-ass samples, check adjacent 4 nos might be interesting.

You say nothing of what D-19, D-20 are. I think you are onto something with D-21 and remember, I have a file of the other change of addresses filed with P.O., including an explanation of the second at N.O. which makes it appear innocent and makes me wonder why Liebeler treated it so as to induce me to treat it as I did in O in NO. If you write of these, let me know. I had some trouble with Johnson, which always makes me suspicious. Pre-Turner guess CSNY:chief security(informants) New York?

Superficially, it makes no sense at all for LHO to have changed the address for the shipping of the Worker from the home address, already recorded, to a P.O. Box. No element of security is involved, if he used the boxes to hide what he was getting. The one immediately obvious thing is that it made it easier to check on what he was getting. Could you also conjecture that 48 S is a NY file identification, or a source identification, as well as that of an inside informant? And is there not something somewhat like in "I" before the "S"? (i.e, internal security?) You do not account for the apparent inconsistency of the card having been postmarked (not intelligible on my copy) 6/12 or 13 or 18/19 yet stamped at NYV so much later, 7/8. Do they run that slowly? And how could he expect a change of address to be effected that rapidly? Wierd. My file, LHO, Address, Changes.

Eckhoff 7/19/71 not "denial", so I presume this is not what you refer to in describing planned letter.

How old is that version of 41CFR 105-61? "Public interest" not one of exemptions FOI. There is also a regulation requiring that even when withholding is legally justified it will be waived wherever possible. In their booklet on left-hand page. Re CD365: possible exception is if part of IS law investigation or if second-hand and original source exempt. CD3146 attachments: good approach. I have never used it in asking them to get, and they have always refused to get. This could also be a helpful exchange in your subsequent writing. Do it. Cite provision of AG's memo of referred requests when made to agency other than that of paramount interest. Same with HUAC file. Get either reject. It is, under the law, identifiable, and the Archives is supposed to have it-or a receipt for its return. Push.

Which exsess and Rankin letter, if they are related. Arch has ruling from DJ that it is Commission's inheritor. You have. Therefore, expect this answer.

I have not removed anything from the stapled batch, for at most it would be 2 pp he should have (you noted to remove them) and they are hard for me to read. I'd like the extra pair for the spectro appeal. In addition to what I've asked for above, your lets, theirs. Although he has been silent (say "hello", JWS), This entire file, still stapled, will go to him 1st class in my next outgoing mail, perhaps tonight, if I go into town.

We may have further corres on these things. I have put your large non-cd order, four large batches stillas you sent them, in a separate drawer, have established a file for notes on them, have put at the front notes on your 4/23 order, and am making another folder for this. If I forget what I've done and we correspond, please remind.

Think this give good infor and promising leads for further inquiry. Do you know of another case of an SS report with no control? Even their notes on this one are in C. Nos. not dates, if you examine notations.

Thanks, HW